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Utah Saving Energy Initiative Launches Energy Partnership Campaign and 2009 State Energy Champion Awards

Salt Lake City – Lt. Governor Gary Herbert will launch a new energy efficiency partnership campaign on May 27, 2009. The event will announce the 2009 State Energy Champion Awards for energy savings excellence for procurement, new and existing state building conservation and design, fleet efficiency, energy efficiency leadership and to announce a new state employee annual campaign.

The new annual state employee campaign will challenge state employees and leadership to partner together to find ways to communicate, educate and motivate employees to find ways to save energy in the workplace.

“This initiative is a partnership between the Governor’s Office, the National Energy Foundation and state employees. Ideas were collected at a grassroots level from state employees and embraced as part of the state’s goal to increase energy efficiency 20% by 2015,” stated Lt. Governor Herbert. “The initiative will focus on conservation awareness activities and energy consumption behaviors at work.”

Highlighted at this meeting will be new E-Teams Captains from each State agency who will work with their respective departments to champion energy savings campaigns. Also invited will be a local 6th grade class from Morningside Elementary School who won a national contest for their innovative “No Idling” campaign.

The year will culminate with a new Governor’s Awards for Excellence for Energy Excellence in May 2010.

When: May 27, 2009 – 1:00 – 3:00 pm – see attached agenda

Where: State Office Building Auditorium – Capitol Hill Complex

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